

CIRIEC-España

ACTIVITY REPORT

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CIRIEC-España was founded as an association in 1986 and currently has more than 300 members, consisting of natural and legal persons. Some of its members include leading academics in public, social and cooperative economics, as well as representatives from social economy associations, federations and confederations in Spain.

CIRIEC-España's main office is at the University of Valencia.

Scientific Journals

Between April 2022 and July 2024, CIRIEC-España published 6 issues of the journal *CIRIEC-España, Revista de economía pública, social y cooperativa* (CIRIEC Journal of Public, Social and Cooperative Economics), presenting about 66 articles on issues related to CIRIEC's research areas. CIRIEC-España's journal has become one of the most prestigious economics journals in Spanish. Nowadays, this journal is considered a “must-read” for researchers, managers and specialists in its scope. It is also peer-reviewed and indexed in the following databases: ESCI, SCOPUS, ECONLIT, FECYT, CATÁLOGO LATINDEX, IN-RECS, IBSS, AEDM BIBLIOMÉTRICA, AERES, EBSCO, DOAJ, RePEc, ULRICH'S, CARHUS PLUS+, CAB ABSTRACTS, AGRIS, REDALYC, ISOC, DIALNET, CITAEDM, COMPLUDOC, ICALI, CIRIEC-International, CIDEA and GOOGLE SCHOLAR.

In the last two years, CIRIEC-España also published issues 40-45 of the *Revista Jurídica de Economía Social y Cooperativa* (Legal Journal of Social and Cooperative Economics). A biannual journal since 2015, it has been published since 1990 and is the most important journal on Cooperative Law and Social Economics published in the Spanish language.

After a period without print edition, the journal *Noticias de la Economía Pública, Social y Cooperativa* (most popularly known as *Noticias del CIDEA*), has been republished since 2018: seven issues (69-75) have been published in last 2022, 2023 and first period of 2024, in a double edition, in Spanish and Valencian languages.

Other publications and research

Since April 2022, CIRIEC-España has conducted several studies and reports, including the following:

- *Las cuentas satélite de las cooperativas y las sociedades laborales en España, 2019* [The satellite accounts of cooperatives and labour societies in Spain, 2019], 2023.

- Book: *Emprendimiento rural socialmente responsable a través de la colaboración público-privada mediante entidades de la Economía Social* [Socially responsible rural entrepreneurship through public-private collaboration by means of Social Economy entities], 2023.
- Book: *Fomento del empleo en el Tercer Sector de Acción Social en la Comunidad Valenciana* [Promotion of employment in the Third Sector of Social Action in the Valencian Community], 2023.
- Book: *Evaluación del plan Fent Cooperatives 2021-2022* for the Valencian Government [Evaluation of the *Fent Cooperatives* plan 2021-2022], 2023.
- Book: *Dos decenios de actividad universitaria en economía social, cooperativismo y emprendimiento desde el Instituto Universitario IUDESCOOP* [Two decades of university activity in social economy, cooperativism and entrepreneurship from the IUDESCOOP University Institute.], 2023.
- Book: *La formación universitaria en Economía Social en España. Informe de 2023* [University training in Social Economy in Spain. Report 2023], 2023.
- Book: *Directorio de Investigadores e Instituciones de Investigación en Economía Social*, [Directory of Researchers and Research Institutions in Social Economics], 2023.
- Book: *La Economía Social ante los Objetivos de Desarrollo Sostenible de la Agenda 2030*, [The Social Economy and the Sustainable Development Goals of Agenda 2030], 2022.
- Book: *Fomento del empleo en los Centros Especiales de Empleo* [Promoting employment in Special Employment Centers], 2022.
- Study for the Valencian Government on socio-economic impact of cooperativism in the Valencian Community, updated to 2020 and 2021, (2022 & 2023).
- 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 yearbook of the social economy in the Valencian Community, for the Valencian Government (2022 & 2023)
- Book: *El sector oleícola y el papel protagonista del cooperativismo como agente de cambio* [The olive sector and the leading role of the cooperative movement as an agent of change], 2022.
- Book: *Informe 2022 sobre Formación Universitaria en Economía Social*, [Report 2022 on University Training in Social Economy], 2022.
- Book: *Casos de éxito en la Economía Social de Castilla-La Mancha* [Success stories in the Social Economy of Castilla-La Mancha], 2022.

Social Economy News

CIRIEC-Spain and CIRIEC-International launched at the end of 2020 the Electronic Bulletin of European Social Economy Information, "*Social Economy News*". Its mission is to facilitate access to and exchange of information on the activities of social economy enterprises and organizations, their representative organizations, with special reference to Social Economy Europe, the work and initiatives of scientific research groups in the field and the actions of European institutions and EU

governments on the social economy, as well as other information considered relevant to the sector. Each edition of the Bulletin includes an opinion article by a leading figure in the social economy. The compilation of news from three main groups of information sources on the social economy: representative bodies, enterprises and organizations; research centers and public institutions, make "Social Economy News" a comprehensive newsletter, unique in the world. Each edition of the bulletin also includes an opinion article by a leading figure in the social economy. All this is reflected in an electronic bulletin with a modern and up-to-date design, which is also distributed in three languages: Spanish, English and French.

Spanish Social Economy Observatory (www.observatorioeconomiasocial.es)

CIRIEC-España's Spanish Social Economy Observatory has continued its activities over the last two years, improving its electronic journal *Boletín de Actualidad del Observatorio Español de la Economía Social* [Spanish Social Economy Observatory Bulletin], which publishes 42-44 issues a year. It also publishes monthly issues of the *Boletín Jurídico de la Economía Social* [Legal Social Economy Bulletin].

Ibero-American Employment and Social and Cooperative Economy Observatory (OIBESCOOP)

CIRIEC-España actively participates in the Ibero-American Employment and Social and Cooperative Economy Observatory (OIBESCOOP), which has entered a new stage centred on the association created in 2016 for such purpose. Its headquarters are in the University of Zaragoza and it is chaired by Professor Carmen Marcuello, vice-chair of CIRIEC-España. In 2017, OIBESCOOP reconnected with the network of specialists from each of the Ibero-American countries, expanding the network to include new experts. It has renewed its website and started to add new content. It also has everything in place to conduct reports on cooperativism and social economy in Latin America and email newsletters to subscribers.

Social Economy University Week

The 1st edition of the Social Economy University Week was held in February 2020, promoted by the ENUIES Network of CIRIEC-Spain, with a great success of participation and with the aim of publicising the intense activity and the results of research on the sector of cooperatives, worker-owned companies, mutual societies, social enterprises and the third sector of social action in Spain. The fourth edition of this University Week was held in March 2023, with 138 activities in 38 universities. 148 activities, in 34 universities, made up the 5th Social Economy University Week, from 4 to 14 March 2024.

19th Congress of Social Economy Researchers (Mataró, 19-21 April 2023)

The 19th Congress was held in Mataró (Barcelona) on 19, 20 and 21 April with the slogan "The role of the Social Economy in a scenario of crisis and uncertainty". More than 100 papers were presented and debated between the 9 plenary sessions and the 20 thematic workshops. In this Congress, with the participation of nearly 200 experts from 12 countries.

First CIRIEC Legal Congress in Córdoba (15-16 June 2023)

The first CIRIEC-Spain Legal Congress was held in Cordoba on 15 and 16 June 2023. The Congress was a great success, with the participation of around one hundred experts, including some twenty professors from different legal disciplines, and the presentation of 50 papers. Under the direction of professors Manuel García Jiménez (UCO) and Felipe Palau (CEGEA-UPV), the Congress was a new milestone in the trajectory of CIRIEC-Spain, which has managed to awaken and bring together a community of prestigious jurists who are sensitive to the social economy and its needs.

National Congress on the Promotion of the Social Economy. Fiscal and Public Policy Instruments (26-27 September 2024)

Valencia, Spanish Capital of the Social Economy 2024, hosted on 26 and 27 September the 'National Congress on the Promotion of the Social Economy. Fiscal and Public Policy Instruments'. It was an extraordinary congress, programmed in the context of this capital, whose general theme was 'Public administration and the social economy: allies for an inclusive prosperity'. The Congress was attended by more than 200 people, including researchers from 33 universities; senior officials and technicians from 8 local and regional public administrations and the Ministry of Labour and the Social Economy, and representatives of the cooperative and social economy sector from various autonomous communities, Spain and the European continent.

CIRIEC Awards for the Best Studies in Social Economy (4th and 5th edition)

In 2019 CIRIEC-España announced the first CIRIEC Awards for the Best Studies in Social Economy carried out in the universities of the Valencian Community. Next editions of the awards, aimed at graduates and doctors who have passed their Final Degree Project (TFG), Master's Thesis (TFM) or Doctoral Thesis (TD), were held in 2022 and 2023. The research submitted must deal with subjects related to the social economy and related areas (cooperativism, third sector, associations, NGOs, etc.). The prizes have a total economic endowment of 6,000 euros.